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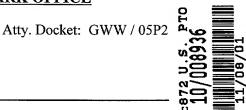
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Title:

CNC SLITTER MACHINE



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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

BOX PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a request for filing, under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), a(n):

- **☒** Original (non-provisional) application.
- □ Divisional of prior application Serial No. ___, filed on ___.
- ☐ Continuation of prior application Serial No. ___, filed on ___
- ☐ Continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. ___, filed on ___.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/CALCULATION OF FEES

- □ Please cancel claims __ without prejudice, and prior to calculating the fees. __ total claim(s), of which __ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.
- □ Please enter the enclosed preliminary amendment identified below prior to calculating the fees. ____ total claim(s), of which ___ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.
- **⊠** Small Entity Status is Requested
- **☒** The Fees are Calculated as Follows:

Fee:	Number of Claims:	In Excess of:	Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
Total Claims	29	20	9	\$18	\$162.00
Independent Claims	15	3	12	\$84	\$1,008.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					
BASIC FEE					
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					
REDUCTION BY 50% FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY					
TOTAL					

ENCLOSURES

- ☑ Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing By Express Mail Under 37 CFR 1.10.
- **⊠** Return Postcard.

APPLICATION PAPERS

- ☑ Utility Patent Application, with: cover sheet, <u>56</u> page(s) specification (including <u>29</u> total claim(s), of which <u>15</u> is(are) independent), and <u>1</u> page(s) abstract.
- ☐ Drawings: 12 sheet(s) of formal drawings (19 total figure(s)).
- ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
- □ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence, including (all are necessary): Computer Readable Copy, Paper Copy (identical to computer copy), and Statement verifying identity of copies.
- An <u>Executed</u> Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form.
- □ Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from prior application identified above.
- ☐ Certified Copy of priority document(s) identified as attached above.

ADDITIONAL PAPERS

- ☐ Assignment to ___, Recordation Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment (to be entered prior to calculation of fees)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, __ sheet(s) Form PTO-1449, __ U.S. Patent Reference(s), __ Foreign Patent Reference(s) and __ Other Reference(s)
- □ Other:

CHECKS

- ☑ A Check of \$955.00 for the filing fee.
- ☐ A Check of __ for the assignment recording fee.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

- □ Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>23-3000</u> in the amount of __.
- ☐ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.
- ☐ THE PAYMENT OF FEES IS BEING DEFERRED.

Respectfully Submitted,

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